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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR A P.L. EXPORT TRANSACTION CHECK

REF: STATE 297153

1. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION AVAILABLE HERE, THE COMPANY SOFREAVIA SERVICE MENTIONED REFTEL IS A WHOLLY-OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF THE LARGELY STATE-OWNED FRENCH ENGINEERING AND AVIATION SUPPLY COMPANY SOFREAVIA (SOCIETE FRANCAISE D'EQUIPEMENT POUR L'AVIATION), WHOSE ADDRESS IS 75, AVENUE DE LA BOETIE, PARIS 75008. THE PERSONNEL WORKING FOR SOFREAVIA SERVICE WERE FORMERLY EMPLOYED BY ASECNA (AGENCE POUR LA SECURITE DE LA NAVIGATION AERIENNE) WHICH PROVIDED AERIAL NAVIGATION SERVICES TO THE FORMER FRENCH TERRITORIES. THE CONTROL OF THIS AGENCY WAS TAKEN OVER BY THE FORMER TERRITORIES IN 1975, AND SOFREAVIA SERVICE WAS FORMED THEREAFTER TO ASSURE THE CONTINUATION OF A HIGHLY COMPETENT CADRE OF FRENCH TECHNICAL PERSONNEL.

2. SOFREAVIA SERVICE HAS AN ENGINEERING CONTRACT WITH THE FRENCH MINISTRY OF COOPERATION, WHICH PROVIDES FOR A STUDY OF WAYS TO UPGRADE THE OPERATIONAL FACILITIES AT THE BUJUMBURA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. THE SPECTRAL ANALYSER IS BEING BOUGHT THROUGH THE INTERMEDIARY OF THE FRENCH AID AND COOPERATION FUND, FOR USE IN CONJUNCTION WITH DISTANCE MEASURING EQUIPMENT (VOR/DME). THE ANALYSER WILL BE USED BY AIRPORT CONTROLLERS TO VERIFY THE PROPER OPERATION OF THE DME SYSTEM. THE HEWLETT-PACKARD SPECTRAL ANALYSER, MODEL 8558B, HAS BEEN CHOSEN FOR USE AT THE BUJUMBURA AIRPORT BECAUSE SOFREAVIA IS VERY SATISFIED WITH THE PERFORMANCE OF THE ONE NOW IN USE AT THE NATIONAL  
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CIVIL AVIATION SCHOOL IN TOULOUSE, FRANCE.

3. ON THE BASIS OF THE INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO US, THE  
POST RECOMMENDS ISSUANCE OF A RE-EXPORT LICENSE TO HEWLETTE-  
PACKARD COMPANY OF PARAMUS, N.J., SO THAT IT MAY RE-EXPORT  
FROM FRANCE THE SPECTRAL ANALYSER DESTINED FOR USE AT THE  
BUJUMBURA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.  
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